

St. Michael's Preschool Newsletter

May 2021

Upcoming Events

Chapel

Every *Tuesday*

9:30am- Pre-K Frog & Tiger classes

10:00- Butterfly, Turtle, Owl and Ladybug classes.

May 7

Muffins with Mom

6:30am to 9:00 am

May 22

Work day party! More info later

May 31

Closed for Memorial Day

Looking forward to next month

June 14th

Summer Program starts

June 18th

Donuts with Dad

6:30-9:00



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Colleen's Corner

Hi Families,

Welcome to May! Thank you to all who made us teachers feel so special during Teacher Appreciation Week! We really appreciate it!

We accomplished a lot in April. Besides learning and having fun every day, we worked on the garden, added tanbark to the garden area and front area, and have big plans to get rid of all of the weeds in the back! Why do they always grow so fast?? We also have to give a huge THANK YOU to Brandon's dad, Sean Shirley who put new flooring in our kitchen! It looks amazing, but I still don't like cooking!!

In May, we plan on taking great care of our Moms! You sure deserve it. And just like last year, we will have our Muffins with Mom outside. It was fun last year, so I'm sure it will be fun again this year. We will have lots of tables out for you to sit with your child to enjoy a lite breakfast. It's not the feast of past years, but until covid is over, it's the best we can do.

We also haven't said no to Pre-K Graduation yet. As the state may open things up on June 15, we are holding out a bit to see if we can pull something off! It's always such a fun celebration and a great way to send them off to kindergarten, so we are trying to keep our options open.

Summer planning is full steam ahead! Again, we aren't certain if we can have outside vendors, but the show must go on! I'll be the bubble lady again, Louis will be the magic man, and just you wait and see what the other staff have to do! We will have lots of bouncy houses, water play and so much more. As a reminder we charge a summer activity of \$25 for one child and \$40 for two. Well worth the fun we have planned! You can include the summer fee with your May or June tuition.

Please let us know of any vacation plans or changes of schedule. Happy to say we are completely full with a fall waiting list. Wasn't sure we would ever be full again after Covid, so we are very thankful we are here and doing well. Thank you everyone!

Until next month,

Ms. Colleen



Pre-K Frog News

Hello Frog Families!

It's hard to believe that the end of the year is upon us. The children have grown so much over the course of the year.

We sure had an awesome April, we learned how to keep our earth safe and clean. Bugs and insects were a big hit as we watched our caterpillars turn into beautiful butterflies.

May is all about My World, we will be discussing what community helpers we see in our everyday lives and how they help us. We will also dedicate a week to our wonderful moms and will prepare a special gift for them.

As this has been a unusual year, we still have had a lot of fun and made some very special memories with your children. We will keep you posted on Graduation.

Love Always,
Ms. Diana



Pre-K Tiger News

Hello Tiger Families,

I can't believe it's May already. I want to wish All of our Mom's a very Happy Mother's Day.

We had an awesome April. We learned how to take care of our earth, and our bodies by eating healthy and exercising. The life cycle of butterflies and flowers.

Our themes for this month are Mothers are special, Community helpers, All about me, Children around the world. I will post our calendar on Remind so you can see the activities we will be doing.

Graduation is quickly approaching. WOW graduation, I can't believe it's almost graduation already. They have been working so hard over the course of the year and I am so proud of each and every one of them. We will have more information on whether or not we will host a Graduation soon. Thank you for all the amazing gifts and beautiful cards filled with lovely messages and encouraging words during teacher appreciation week. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Be safe and have a blessed month.

Love,
Ms. Misti



Kinder Class News

Dear Kinder Families,

Thank you so much for the generous gifts during Teacher Appreciation Week! I absolutely love teaching your kiddos and being a part of the St. Michael's Family! April was a fun month of science and boy oh boy do the Kindergarteners love science: watching our seeds slowly sprout, our grass grow into wild hair for our silly planters, watching our white carnations sip colored water and change color, and baking our own little Earth cupcakes. It warmed my heart to see how passionate the Kinders were about keeping our Earth nice and how they had great ideas to do that.

This month we will be starting off with zoo animals with a special look at Zoo Momma Animals and their babies, as we reflect on our appreciation for our own mom and create a gift for Mom. We will then dive into rhyming with classic nursery rhymes and good old Pete the Cat stories. I am excited for the week we will reflect on how awesome the kiddos handled their Kindergarten year on zoom and in my class. Last but definitely not least, we will end the month with our appreciation for the soldiers who so bravely gave their life for our freedom as we head into summer.

Yours in Inclusive Teaching,
Ms. Jen

Owl Class News



Hello Owl Families'

Wow April has come and gone! We celebrated Easter with our annual egg hunt. The Easter bunny left us plenty of eggs and the kids went crazy searching them! The Owls had so much fun that they couldn't stop talking about the Easter bunny and how many eggs they got. I loved seeing all their smiling faces when they found an egg and opened it to find a sweet treat.

For the letter of the week V we talked about a volcano. We went outside to the sandbox and made a big volcano. When it was time for the volcano to erupt, we mixed baking soda, food coloring and vinegar. The volcano erupted and the kids screamed! It was a fun activity. It was also Bugs and Insects week. We made a fun little snack called ants on the log. The Owls spread cream cheese on top of the celery and placed raisins on top to look like ants are on a log. The Owls enjoy eating the ants (raisins) more than the log (celery).

For the letter X, the Owls made their own hand x-ray. I traced their hand on a black piece of paper and they glued on q-tips like they were bones. This week was also about promoting and encouraging healthy eating. We talked about healthy food choices that gave us the most nutrients. We also celebrated Earth week. We discussed correct items to place in a garbage bin versus recycle bin or compost bin. Our hand projects where we created the earth by using our hands turned out pretty neat as well! The kids all loved seeing their completed artwork! For the last week, we finished going over all of the letters of the alphabet. With Z being the last letter, the Owls decided to catch some ZZZ for all the hard work they have done!

Thank you to all my kids and parents for the lovely appreciate gifts! I genuinely enjoy teaching and learning from all my kids. They definitely keep my on my toes! I enjoyed eating all the sweets, as you all know that is my weakness! Thank you again and please know it is so appreciated!

April was such a great month! Let's prepare for May! We will be working more on writing the letters since all the letters have now been reviewed.

Love,
Mr. Louis



Ladybug Class

Dear Ladybug families,

Can you believe it's already the last month of the school year? April flew by! The ladybugs have been busy exploring bugs, studying animals, investigating the Earth and diving deep into the ocean. We had so much fun we didn't even realize we were practicing many important skills ranging from fine motor to gross motor to social emotional. My personal favorite was learning about jelly fish and making sun catchers.

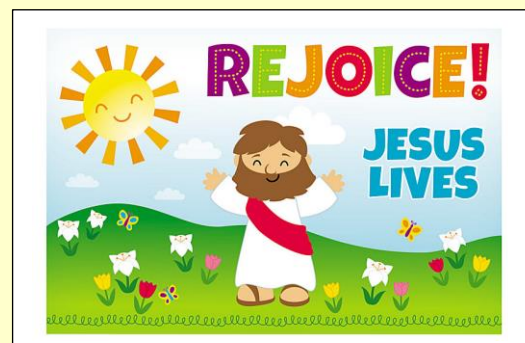
This month we are moving away from nature to focus more on our community and all the amazing helpers that work together to make society thrive. Aside from our own community we will dip into other communities and even switch our attention to children around the world. It's super interesting to learn about how our peers live in different countries. Also, we will be secretly working on our Mother's Day projects... shhhhh... I know the ladybugs will put a lot of love into them.

Just a quick reminder. Please try to drop off your child before 9am. If you would like a copy of our daily schedule, I am be happy to send it to you. Sometimes it is really hard on your ladybug to miss snack, story time or our activity. They really look forward to each part of our school day.

Love,

Ms. Keri

We will be back to in person Chapel on June 1st!! We can't wait!





Turtle Class News

Hello Turtle Families!

You might have noticed that Ms. Jennifer has been in the classroom quite a bit during April. This summer, we plan on moving a few classrooms to better accommodate our enrollment. We have had a few teachers trying out different rooms in anticipation of the changes. Not to worry, Ms. Kittie has been in the room frequently, both teachers have had fun working together.

As for May, sshhh, we can't tell you what we are doing the first week! Hope you can make it to our Muffins with Mom on Friday May 7. Not our usual event, but fun nevertheless. If you can't stay and eat, you can take it with you! We will also be learning about Community Helpers and friends around the world. We have also been busy planning lots of fun for the summer, we can't wait for all the fun up ahead.

Love,
Ms. Kittie and Ms. Jennifer



Butterfly Bulletin

Hello to my Butterfly Families,

This month has been a busy one for us here in the Butterfly Classroom. We started the month of April with our Easter egg hunt which was a huge success. The children loved finding all the eggs hidden by our wonderful parents. We had a week of healthy eating where we became little chiefs and made veggie wraps, fruit smoothies, and the class favorite fruit salad. We had earth week where we talked about animals, keeping the earth healthy, and the colors on a globe blue and green. I am glad to announce that our attention span is growing and have been having a lot more circle time with books, songs, and puppets our new favorite story being the 3 Little Pigs. We have been working hard on knowing our colors and soon will be moving on to learning different shapes.

For the month of May, we will be starting off with talking about our Mommies and how special they are to us. We will have 2 fun weeks about Community Helpers and talking about why they're jobs are so important. We will end the month of May with crafts from around the world and saying goodbye to our Pre-K friends that will be graduating and moving on to Kindergarten.

As we move on to warmer weather and the kids are removing their jackets and sweaters, I ask that all their belongings please be labeled so that it can be returned to the rightful owner. We are ready for a new month with more learning and fun adventures.

Love,
Miss Miriam



This month we would like to recognize our Kinder teacher, Ms. Jen! Ms. Jen is an amazing teacher, she came to us just as the pandemic started and when we needed to develop a Kinder program, and she jumped right in! I am constantly amazed at what our Kinders learn and how thoughtful her lessons are. Jen, you are truly amazing! Thank you for all you do!

May Lunch Menu



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	3 Taco Salad French bread Oranges Milk	4 Teriyaki Chicken and Rice Corn Peaches Milk	5 Chili Mac Apples Milk	6 Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Veg Sticks Oranges Milk	7 Mac and Cheese Mixed Veg Watermelon Milk	
	10 Beanie Weenies French Bread Pears Milk	11 Sloppy Joes Corn Oranges Milk	12 Chicken Nuggets Green Beans Pears Milk	13 Beef Tostadas With All the Fixings Mandarins Milk	14 Chili Wheat Bread Pears Milk	
	17 Mac and Cheese Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	18 Spanish Rice Green Beans Pears Milk	19 Bean and Cheese Burrito Corn Oranges Milk	20 Spaghetti and Meatballs Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	21 Cheese Zombies Garden Salad Apples Milk	
	24 Chicken Teriyaki and Rice Corn Peaches Milk	25 Chili Mac Pears Milk	26 Bow Tie Pasta with Meat Sauce Mixed Veggies Melon Milk	27 Pulled Chicken Sliders Peas Apples Milk	28 English Muffin Pizzas Green Beans Oranges Milk	
	31 Closed for Memorial Day					



May Snack Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	3 Oat Bran Bread with Oranges Cheese Sticks and Crackers	4 French Toast Sticks and Milk Guac and Corn Chips	5 Biscuits and Oranges Granola Bars and Apples	6 Yogurt and Peaches Trail Mix and Pears	7 Cheerios and Milk Cheese Itz and Apples	
	10 Biscuits with Jelly and Oranges Trail Mix and Apples	11 Chex Cereal and Milk Refried Beans and Cheese and Chips	12 Blueberry Muffins and Milk Cheese Itz and Oranges	13 Belvitas and Apples Graham Crackers and Bananas	14 String Cheese and Ritz Granola Bars and Apples	
	17 Yogurt and Strawberries Cinnamon Pita Chips and Fresh Fruit	18 Waffles and Applesauce Salami and Cheese with Ritz Crackers	19 Biscuits and Jelly with Apples Bagels and Cream Cheese with Watermelon	20 Wheat Crackers and Cheddar Cheese Cinnamon Toast and Oranges	21 English Muffins with Melted Cheese Goldfish and Apples	
	24 Granola bars and Pears Pirate Booty and Mandarins	25 Tortilla Roll-Ups Chex Mix and Apples	26 French Toast Sticks and Pears Blueberry Bread and Oranges	27 Cereal and Milk Turkey and Cheese Roll-Ups	28 Cinnamon Raisin Bread and Apples Oatmeal Bar and Milk	
	61 Blueberry Bagels and Apples Pretzels and Cheese Sticks	27 French Toast Sticks and Milk Guac and Corn Chips	28 Biscuits and Oranges Granola Bars and Apples	29 Pancakes and Applesauce Trail Mix and Pears	30 Cheerios and Milk Cheese Itz and Apples	